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DEVICE DRESSINGS AND METHODS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments in the above-referenced case.

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In the claims:

In claim 1, line 6, please replace "dressing in use" with --dressing is in use--.

Please amend claim 3 as follows:

3. (Once amended) The dressing or method as set forth in claim 1 [or 2], wherein: the top and bottom dressings are formed from a unitary dressing and are joined together and divided by a fold line.

Please eiter new claim 25:

25. The dressing or method as set forth in claim 2, wherein:
the top and bottom dressings are formed from a unitary dressing and are joined together and

divided by a fold line.